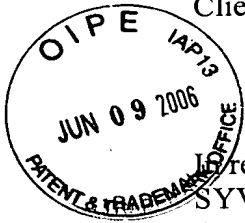


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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2006, please reconsider the patentability of the pending claim 1-11 based on the following remarks.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-11 as being unpatentable over Freund (US Application 2003/0167405) and Kumar (US Patent application 2003/0005089). Applicant traverses the rejection because Freund is not prior art to the present application and Kumar fails to teach or suggest the entirety of the claimed invention features.

Based on the filing of the correspondingly filed 132 Declaration executed by the undersigned, Freund is not prior art to the present application. The filing date of Freund is November 14, 2001. As indicated in the 132 Declaration, the specification, drawings and filing instructions for the present application were sent by letter dated 12 November 2001, and arriving on 13 November 2001 in our firm's offices in McLean, Virginia, which is before the filing date of Freund, 14 November 2001.

Applicant recognizes that Freund claims priority to an earlier filed provisional application having a filing date 27 July 2001; however, that provisional application was nothing more than a technical report and fails to include either the paragraphs or descriptions referred to by the Office Action. Accordingly, the prior art rejection must be withdrawn.

Accordingly, Applicant requests the issuance of a notice of allowance indicating the allowability of the pending claims. However, if anything is necessary to place the application

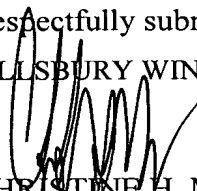
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in condition for allowance, Applicant requests that the Examiner telephone the undersigned representative.

Please charge any fees associated with the submission of this paper to Deposit Account Number 033975. The Commissioner for Patents is also authorized to credit any over payments to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

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